IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : John Michael Dooley et al.

Title : METHOD AND STRUCTURE FOR RETAINING A

TUBE

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

M.S. Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Examiner:

In response to the Office Action dated June 17, 2011 issued in connection with the above-referenced patent application ("subject application"), Applicant hereby submits the following:

- 1. **Amendments to the Claims** that are reflected in a listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper; and
- 2. **Remarks** that begin on page 6 of this paper.

The three-month shortened statutory response period expires on September 17, 2011. Accordingly, this submission is timely filed.